

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
WESTERN DIVISION

**SARAH UPDIKE, *et al.***

Plaintiffs,

V.

**SARA JONAS, *et al.***

Defendants.

: Case No. 1:22-cv-00374

: Judge Michael R. Barrett

: **AFFIDAVIT OF NATALIE WHEELER**  
: **HASTINGS**

STATE OF OHIO

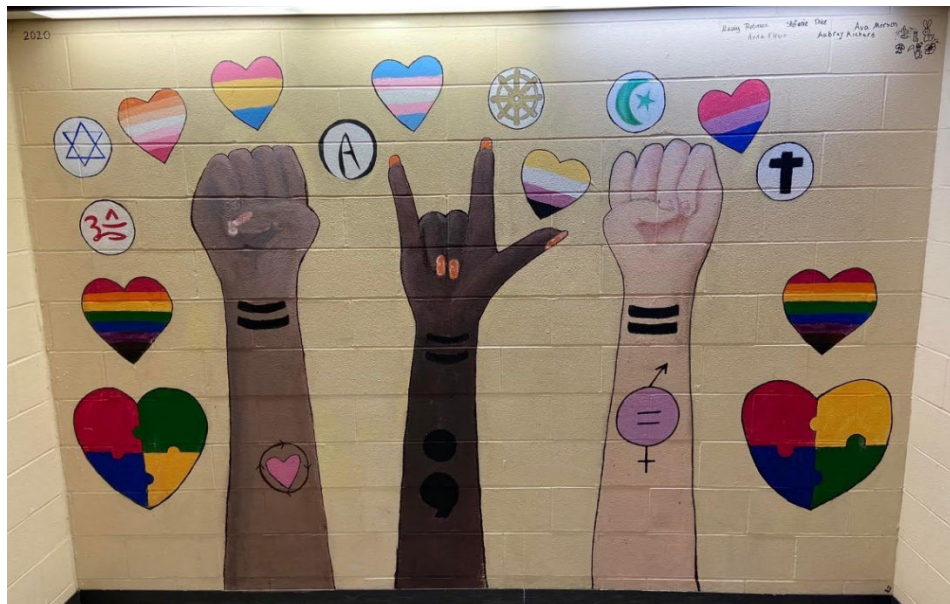
SS:

COUNTY OF HAMILTON

I, Natalie Wheeler Hastings, am over the age of 18, competent to testify, and being first duly sworn and cautioned, state as follows:

1. I am one of the Plaintiffs in the above-captioned case.
2. The following is a true and accurate depiction of the student-created mural at Nagel

Middle School, prior to it being painted over:



The Mural was large and covered a wall at Nagel Middle School.

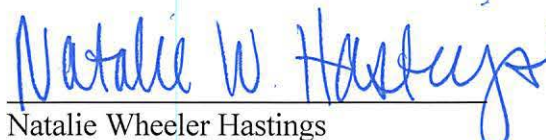
3. At the beginning of this school year, I discovered the Mural had been covered by a blue vinyl banner. I received a communication from Defendant Larry Hook indicating it was part of a “rebranding” effort.

4. On or about August 31, 2023, I discovered the Mural had been permanently destroyed by being painted over with blue paint.

5. Comments made by Defendant Bob Bibb regarding the Mural can be accessed here: <https://youtu.be/m6HEqOgSGxs>. His comments regarding the mural begin at minute 23:44.

6. An interview provided by Larry Hook to Fox19 news on or about September 20, 2023 regarding the decision to paint over the Mural can be accessed here: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yIZimZY97rWB101n\\_ukP6k8fe-kLQ91y/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yIZimZY97rWB101n_ukP6k8fe-kLQ91y/view?usp=sharing)

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

  
Natalie Wheeler Hastings

The foregoing instrument was sworn to and acknowledged before me on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
October, 2023.

  
Notary Public



NICOLE MARIE LUNDRIGAN  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission Has No Expiration  
Section 147.03 R.C.